



# **BOARD OF NURSING**

# **Open Session Minutes**

November 3, 2021 9:14 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.

#### **VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE**

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## **Board of Nursing Mission Statement:**

"The mission of the Board of Nursing is to safeguard the public's health and well-being by assuring safe quality care in the District of Columbia. This is achieved through the regulation of nursing practice and education programs; and by the licensure, registration and continuing education of nursing personnel."

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## **BOARD MEETING PARTICIPANTS:**

BOARD MEMBERS:	
Meedie Bardonille, RN (MB)	
Laverne Plater, RN (LP)	
Rick Garcia, RN, PhD (RG)	
Margaret Green, LPN (MG)	Late due to technical issues.
Monica Goletiani, Consumer (MG)	
Crystal Johnson, Consumer (CJ)	ABSENT
LPN Member (Vacant)	
BOARD STAFF:	
Frank B. Meyers, JD, Associate Director	ABSENT
Bonita Jenkins EdD, RN, CNE	
Cathy Borris-Hale MHA, RN	
Concheeta Wright BSN, RN	ABSENT
Mark Donatelli, Investigator	
Melondy Franklin, Supervisory Health Licensing Specialist	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Panravee Vongjaroenrat, Assistant General Counsel	
VISITORS:	
Rosalynn Asamoah - Medstar WHC	
Alesia Henry – Higher Education Licensure Commission	
(HELC)	
JoAnne Joyner - COIN	

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## **AGENDA**

OS-21-11-01	CALL TO ORDER	
	Board meeting was called to order at 9:14 a.m. and a quorum was established.	
OS-21-11-02	ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF	
OS-21-11-03	AGENDA APPROVAL	Decision
	Board Action:	
	Consideration of the Agenda for today's meeting, November 3, 2021.	
	Motion: Motion made by Dr. Garcia to approve the agenda with the noted amendment. Seconded by Ms. Plater.	
	Vote: The motion passed by consensus.	
OS-21-11-04	MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL	Decision
	Board Action:	
	Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the September 1, 2021 meeting.	
	Motion:  Motion made by Ms. Plater to approve the minutes. Seconded by Dr. Garcia.	
	Vote: Ms. Bardonille, Ms. Plater, Dr. Garcia, and Ms. Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.	



#### A. Board Chair Report

The Board Chair reported that she recently participated and attended the President's NCSBN meeting. The Board Chair provided the following updates:

• The 2022 Mid-Year meeting will be held in-person in March in St. Louis.

Informational

- Five (5) additional states have agreed to join the Nursing Compact.
- APRN roundtable will be held in April 2022 in Rosemont, IL.
- NCSBN reported that 86% of nursing students are back doing in-person clinicals.

### **B.** Executive Director Report

#### i. License Census

The Executive Director provided an update on the current licensure census for the Board in the District.

License Type	Active Licenses
Certified Nurse Midwife	150
Clinical Nursing Specialist	45
Home Health Aide	8721
Licensed Practical Nurse	1581
Nurse Practitioner	2779
Registered Nurse	29685
Registered Nurse Anesthetist	162
Trained Medication Employee	2035
Total	45,158

#### ii. COVID-19 Vaccination Mandate

The Executive Director provided an update regarding the vaccination mandate. The requirement is in effect. Reviewing is currently underway for those that submitted exemption requests. The vaccination attestation tab is now live and part of the application flow. All





applicants/licensees must be vaccinated to obtain licensure. Laws prohibits DC licensed facility from hiring anyone that is unvaccinated. Legal is looking at the possible appeal process for those licensees whose exemption request is denied.

#### iii. Licensure Waiver Status

The Executive Director provided an update on the current status of the waiver and the recent rulemaking. Legislation passed on October 26, 2021, preserve our workforce bill which, will extend the licensure waiver until August 2022. Provides clarification regarding what a "licensed facility" means.

## iv. Temp Licensure

The Executive Director provided an update regarding the pending temporary licensure process. The Associate Director informed the Board that a Declaration was issued by the Director for temporary licensure for specific license. The temporary license will allow individuals that are licensed in good standing in another jurisdiction be granted a temporary license, while their application is pending. The system went live on October 25, 2021. There are no limits regarding scope of practice or authority. The temporary license will only be valid for 90 days.

#### **C.** Board Attorney Report

No report

## D. Education Subcommittee Report

Education subcommittee met with SummaPrime Healthcare Inc. regarding the approval of their CNA training program. SummaPrime will be working in collaboration with Ingleside Nursing Home in the District. The subcommittee recommended the approval of the program.

Motion:





Motion made by Ms. Goletiani to accept the recommendation of the subcommittee and approve SummaPrime Health Care Inc. CNA training program. Seconded by Ms. Plater.

#### Vote:

Ms. Bardonille, Ms. Plater, Dr. Garcia, and Ms. Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## E. Discipline Subcommittee Report

Ms. Borris-Hale reported to the Board that a total of four (4) complaints were submitted in October. The full report will be on the next meeting agenda.



OS-21-11-	CHAPTER 54 REGULATIONS	Decision
06	Board Action:	
	To review the proposed revisions to Chapter 54 of Nursing regulations regarding Registered Nursing.	
	Background:	
	The Board Attorney has drafted revisions to the regulations governing Registered Nurses, as directed by the Board and staff. This information is being submitted to the Board for review and approval.	
	Motion: Motion made by Dr. Garcia to approve the Chapter 54 as final. Seconded by Ms. Plater.	
	Vote: Ms. Bardonille, Ms. Plater, Dr. Garcia, and Ms. Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.	
OS-21-11-	CHAPTER 55 REGULATIONS	Decision
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in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.





OS-21-11- 08	PRESENTATION FROM COIN  Board Action:	Decision
	To meet with the members of COIN to discuss a request for a new member.	
	Background:	
	The Board has received two (2) letters from individuals expressing interest in serving on COIN.	
	A copy of the letters of interested are attached. Dr. JoAnne Joiner of COIN was present to provide additional information.	
	<b>Motion:</b> Motion made by Dr. Garcia to appoint CG and BM to serve on the COIN committee. Seconded by Ms. Goletiani.	
	<b>Vote:</b> Ms. Bardonille, Ms. Plater, Dr. Garcia, and Ms. Goletiani voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.	



OS-21-11-	MOTION TO CLOSE	Decision
09	Board Action:	
	To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b)	
	Background:	
	Pursuant to DC Official Code § 2-575(b), the Board will move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting to discuss the following:	
	<ol> <li>To consult with an attorney to obtain legal advice and to preserve the attorney-client privilege between an attorney and a public body, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4)(a);</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6);</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2- 575(b)(9);</li> </ol>	
	To plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigation of alleged criminal or civil misconduct or violations of law or regulations, if disclosure to the public would harm the investigation pursuant to section § 2-575(b) (14).	
	Motion:  Motion made by Dr. Garcia to close Open Session and go into Closed Executive Session at 10:41 a.m. Seconded by Ms. Plater.	
	Vote: The motion passed by consensus.	
OS-21-11-	MOTION TO ADJOURN	Decision
10	Board Action:	
	To adjourn the meeting	
	Background:	
	At the end of every meeting a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.	





This ends the Open Session Agenda.